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Chiu et al.

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For

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is Response to Restriction Requirement Mailed January 22, 2003 in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | | |
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| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
| Total Claims | 15 | - | 37 | = 0 × | \$ 9 | = \$0 |
| Independent Claims | 1 . | _ | 4 | = 0 × | \$ 42 | = \$0 |
| If application has been amended to contain multiple dependent claim(s), then add | | | | | \$140 | = \$0 |
| Time Extension Fee | | | | | | \$0 |
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- (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action mailed January 22, 2003, the Examiner indicates that the abovereferenced application contains claims to patentably distinct Groups A, B, C, D, and E, and Sub-Groups F, G, H, HH, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, and S, each of which includes one or more species. The Examiner requires that Applicants elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits by selecting one method from Groups A through E and one each from Sub-Groups F through S. The Examiner further requires that Applicants reply to this requirement by identifying the species elected in consonant with this restriction requirement and by including a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added.

In response, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute the species denoted by Group A and methods F1, G1, H2, I1, J1, K1, L2, M1, N1, O1, P1, Q1, R1, and S1 in the present application. Applicants submit that pending method Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11-15, and 21-24 read on the elected species. Please cancel Claims 3, 6, 7, 10, 16-20, and 25-37. Accordingly, prompt examination on the merits of Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11-15, and 21-24 is respectfully requested.

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Upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicants reserve the right to pursue allowance of one or more of the nonelected claims in the present application. Furthermore, Applicants reserve the right to pursue allowance of one or more of the nonelected claims in one or more continuing applications.

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Respectfully submitted,

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